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RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Medical Officer of Health

for the Year 1951

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| Sanitary Inspector | — | Mr. R. D. HIGGS |

# KIVETON PARK ANNUAL REPORT 1951

**Comments.**

The striking progress made during the year in extending the water and sewerage services is mentioned later in this report. Kiveton Park Rural District must be unique among areas under 20,000 in population in having a new reservoir, extensive new water mains, two new sewage works, with sewers and sewer extensions all under construction or completed within one year. It is greatly to the credit of the Council and the Clerk in particular among the officials, that these improvements should have been promoted so vigorously. The residents in isolated hamlets, like the rest of us, very quickly take the main water and sewerage systems for granted. They very quickly forget the cost and labour which are involved when public services reach out long distances to give them urban amenities. It is perhaps proper that someone should, on odd occasions, remind them of their blessings and also mention the raising of the public health standards which result from the eradication of privies, pan closets and cesspools.

One thing which gives me most satisfaction is the better record of the district for baby deaths. A rate calculated upon 300 births is bound to be erratic and enthusiasm upon the record of a single year has to be cautious and restrained. But we have so rarely had a rate in the vicinity of 30 that I think we can indulge in a little self-satisfaction for once. Baby care is certainly improving.

There was an epidemic of influenza in the first six weeks of the year which reached its peak on 23rd January. Six deaths occurred in this outbreak. It was associated with a sharp rise in claims for sickness benefit and with heavy absences of children from school. Pneumonia notifications were much higher at 46, but strangely enough the experience of other districts was repeated in that pneumonia deaths were fewer in number.

The district escaped the poliomyelitis outbreak present in adjoining areas, apart from one paralytic and one non-paralytic case.

Measles persisted from January to April and provided 250 notifications.

Once again, there was no diphtheria at all in the district.

I think some comment should be made about the very low proportion of births from Kiveton Park, which take place in maternity homes and hospitals. Instead of a percentage of 70 or more, which is the usual number where facilities are available, only 38 per cent of mothers from Kiveton Park were institutional confinement cases. I quite admit that institutions are a convenience rather than a sheer necessity for the majority of maternity cases, but it might be remembered that services for the home, such as domiciliary midwives, home helps and maternity outfits are certain to be needed more liberally in Kiveton Park.

A great deal more attention has been given to the steadily increasing number of old persons in the area. Apart from their pensions and their care by Welfare Committees, which are the concern of other departments, they have been given a new service of Home Helps and a greatly improved Home Nursing service. The payment and control of these are the duty of the County Council, but invaluable support has been given to them by the local Council.

One of the main features in public health is the limited distance you can progress before you are compelled to ask for the help of other people. I have welcomed the assistance of the local Council when giving monthly reports upon all aspects of the health services. I have benefited more than the Council from the interest aroused.

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# KIVETON PARK RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

## Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the Year 1951.

### GENERAL STATISTICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Area in acres | 20,070 |
| Population, (census 1951) | 17,661 |
| Population (estimated mid-year, 1951) | 17,550 |
| No. of inhabited houses | 5,132 |
| Rateable value | £75,334 |
| Product of penny rate | £286/17/4d. |

### EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

**Live Births.**

| | Males | Females | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate | 131 | 142 | 273 |
| Illegitimate | 7 | 11 | 18 |
| TOTAL | 138 | 153 | 291 |

Crude birth rate per 1,000 population: 16.5

Adjusted birth-rate per 1,000 population: 16.9

**Still Births.**

Total still births: 10

Rate per 1,000 of total (live and still) births: .59

**Deaths.**

Total deaths 192

Crude death-rate per 1,000 population: 10.9

Adjusted death-rate per 1,000 population: 11.7

**Infant Deaths under 1 year of age.**

Total infant deaths: 9

Rate per 1,000 births 31

No. of illegitimate infant deaths: Nil.

No. of legitimate infant deaths 9

**Maternal Deaths.**

Total maternal deaths Nil

**Death-rate per 1,000 population from**

| | |
|---|---|
| Tuberculosis, all forms ... ... | 0.17 |
| Cancer ... ... ... ... | 2.1 |
| Heart ... ... ... ... | 2.9 |
| Pneumonia ... ... ... ... | 0.34 |
| Influenza ... ... ... ... | 0.34 |
| Bronchitis ... ... ... ... | 0.51 |

## VITAL STATISTICS

**Population.**

The census held in 1951 showed a population of 17,661 for the Kiveton Park Rural District—this is an increase of 627 or 3.7% over the 1931 census and 101 over the estimated population for mid-1950.

The total of 17,661 represents 8,800 males and 8,861 females.

The estimated mid-year population was 17,550.

**Births.**

After adjustment for inward and outward transfers, the total births allocated to the Kiveton Park Rural District area was 291. This figure produces a crude birth-rate of 16.5 and an adjusted rate of 16.9 per thousand populaton.

The births show a reduction over the 1950 total.

The comparable rate for England and Wales was 15.5 per thousand.

Of the 291 births recorded 18 were illegitimate. This compares with 17 in 1950.

**Stillbirths.**

The total stillbirths recorded was 10 giving a comparable rate of .59 per thousand The rate for England and Wales was .36 and the rate was .42 per thousand for Kiveton Park in 1950.

Parish Distribution of Live Births occurring in 1951 (including Inward Transfers, but excluding Outward Transfers and Transfers to Divisions within the West Riding County Council).

| PARISH | No. of Births |
|---|---|
| Anston | 42 |
| Dinnington | 133 |
| Firbeck | 5 |
| Gildingwells | 2 |
| Harthill-with-Woodall | 19 |
| Letwell | 1 |
| St. John's with Throapham | 1 |
| Thorpe Salvin | 4 |
| Todwick | 5 |
| Wales | 71 |
| Woodsetts | 8 |
| TOTAL | 291 |

**Deaths.**

After adjustment for inward and outward transfers in respect of normal residents who died outside the area and "strangers," who died in the Council's area, the net total deaths allocated to Kiveton Park Rural District was 192. This gives an adjusted death-rate of 11.7 per thousand.

The principal causes of death were: —

| | |
|---|---|
| Heart disease ... ... ... ... | 52 |
| Other Circulatory diseases ... ... | 14 |
| Cancer ... ... ... ... ... | 38 |
| Tuberculosis ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Pneumonia ... ... ... ... | 6 |
| Bronchitis ... ... ... ... | 9 |
| Influenza ... ... ... ... | 6 |
| Violence (including 3 suicides) ... | 6 |

**Infant Deaths.**

9 infants under 1 year of age died during 1951 in the Kiveton Park area. This compares with 15 in 1950. The infant death-rate for 1951 was 31 and it was 29.6 for England and Wales. Of the 9 deaths, 5 were under 4 weeks of age.

The causes and parish distribution of the infant deaths were: —

| PARISH | Convulsions | Laryngo-Tracheitis | Meningitis (Probably Pneumococcal) | Septicaemia | Pneumonia | Premature Twin | Erythroblas-tosis Foetalis | Intracranial Haemorrhage | Neonatal Sepsis |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Anston | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Dinnington | 1 | 1 | — | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | 1 |
| Firbeck | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Gildingwells | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Harthill-with-Woodall | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Letwell | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| St. John's with Thr'pham | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Thorpe Salvin | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — |
| Todwick | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Wales | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| Woodsetts | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| TOTALS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

**Maternal Mortality.**

There were no deaths of women due to maternal causes during 1951.

**Notifiable Infectious Diseases.**

The following tables show the parish and age distribution of infectious disease notifications, after correction during 1951.

| | Age in years | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Notifiable Disease | 0-1 | 1-5 | 5-15 | 15-25 | 25-45 | 45-65 | 65 & Over | Age Un-known | Totals |
| Scarlet Fever | 1 | 13 | 32 | 1 | 2 | 1 | — | — | 50 |
| Diphtheria | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 |
| Pneumonia | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 13 | 12 | 1 | 46 |
| Erysipelas | — | — | — | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | — | 8 |
| Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 |
| ,, (Non-paralytic) | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 |
| Measles | 14 | 148 | 85 | 1 | — | 1 | — | 1 | 250 |
| Whooping Cough | 7 | 19 | 6 | — | — | — | — | — | 32 |
| TOTALS | 23 | 187 | 126 | 7 | 12 | 16 | 16 | 2 | 389 |

| PARISH | Scarlet Fever | Diphtheria | Pneumonia | Poliomyelitis | | | Measles | Whooping Cough |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Erysipelas | (Paralytic) | (Non-paralytic) | | |
| Anston | 4 | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | 20 | 8 |
| Dinnington | 21 | — | 21 | 5 | — | — | 153 | 23 |
| Firbeck | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Gildingwells | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Harthill-with-Woodall | 3 | 1 | 7 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Letwell | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| St. John's with Throapham | — | — | — | — | — | — | 8 | — |
| Thorpe Salvin | — | — | — | — | — | — | 3 | — |
| Todwick | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2 | — |
| Wales | 21 | — | 18 | 1 | 1 | — | 61 | — |
| Woodsetts | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | 3 | 1 |
| TOTALS | 50 | 1 | 46 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 250 | 32 |

The following table gives the infectious diseases cases notified, admissions to hospitals and deaths.

| Notifiable Disease | Cases Notified | Admitted to Isolation Hospital | Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|
| Scarlet Fever | 50 | 37 | — |
| Diphtheria | 1 | 1 | — |
| Pneumonia | 46 | 3 | — |
| Erysipelas | 8 | — | — |
| Poliomyelitis: | | | |
| Paralytic | 1 | 1 | — |
| Non-paralytic | 1 | 1 | — |
| Measles | 250 | 3 | — |
| Whooping Cough | 32 | — | — |

Birth-rates, Death-rates, Analysis of Mortality, Maternal Mortality and Case-rates for Certain Infectious Diseases in the Year, 1951.

| | England and Wales | 126 County Boroughs and Great Towns (including London) | 148 Smaller Towns (Resident Population 25,000—50,000 at 1931 Census) | London Administrative County | Kiveton Park Rural District |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BIRTHS | *Rates per* 1,000 *Home Population* | | | | |
| Live births ... ... ... | 15.5 | 17.3 | 16.7 | 17.8 | 16.9 |
| Still births ... ... ... | 0.36 | 0.45 | 0.38 | 0.37 | 0.59 |
| DEATHS | | | | | |
| All causes ... ... ... | 12.5 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 13.1 | 11.7 |
| Typhoid and paratyphoid ... | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | — | 0.00 |
| Whooping cough ... ... | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Diphtheria ... ... ... | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Tuberculosis ... ... ... | 0.31 | 0.37 | 0.31 | 0.38 | 0.19 |
| Influenza ... ... ... | 0.38 | 0.36 | 0.38 | 0.23 | 0.34 |
| Smallpox ... ... ... | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | — | 0.00 |
| Acute Poliomyelitis ... ... (including polioencephalitis) | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Pneumonia ... ... ... | 0.61 | 0.65 | 0.63 | 0.61 | 0.34 |
| NOTIFICATIONS (corrected) | | | | | |
| Typhoid fever ... ... | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Paratyphoid fever ... ... | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Meningococcal infection ... | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.00 |
| Scarlet fever ... ... ... | 1.11 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.10 | 2.8 |
| Whooping cough ... ... | 3.87 | 3.62 | 4.00 | 3.11 | 1.8 |
| Diphtheria ... ... ... | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.05 |
| Erysipelas ... ... ... | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.45 |
| Smallpox ... ... ... | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | — | 0.00 |
| Measles ... ... ... | 14.07 | 13.93 | 14.82 | 14.64 | 14.2 |
| Pneumonia ... ... ... | 0.99 | 1.04 | 0.96 | 0.72 | 2.6 |
| Acute poliomyelitis (including polioencephalitis) | | | | | |
| Paralytic ... ... ... | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| Non-paralytic ... ... | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| Food poisoning ... ... | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.08 | 0.23 | 0.00 |
| DEATHS | *Rates per* 1,000 *Live Births* | | | | |
| All causes under 1 year of age | 29.6 | 33.9 | 27.6 | 26.4 | 30.9 |
| NOTIFICATIONS (corrected) | *Rates per* 1,000 *Total Live and Still Births* | | | | |
| Puerperal fever and pyrexia | 10.66 | 13.77 | 8.08 | 14.90 | 0.00 |

**Tuberculosis.**

The closest liasion is maintained between the Chest Physician, Dr. Morrison, and his staff. Health Visitors' periodical reports, etc., are copied and sent on to him, and his recommendations on housing, clothing, bedding, and extra nourishment, are dealt with through the appropriate channels.

| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Males | Females | Males | Females |
| Cases on register at 1st January, 1951 ... | 36 | 24 | 7 | 8 |
| Cases added during 1951 ... ... ... | 10 | 8 | 1 | 2 |
| Cases removed during 1951 ... ... | 4 | 3 | — | 1 |
| Cases on register at 31st December, 1951 | 42 | 29 | 8 | 9 |

**Sanitary Inspector's Report.**

The following statistics have been supplied by the Sanitary Inspector: —

**Nuisance Inspections.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Total number of inspections for nuisances during year ... ... | 694 |
| Nuisances found in 1951 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 621 |
| Nuisances in hand at beginning of year ... ... ... ... ... | 9 |
| Total requiring abatement ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 630 |
| Abated during 1951 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 614 |
| Outstanding end of 1951 ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 16 |
| Informal notices served ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 526 |
| Informal notices complied with ... ... ... ... ... ... | 510 |
| Statutory notices served ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 59 |
| Statutory notices complied with ... ... ... ... ... ... | 59 |

**Tents, vans and sheds.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number in district ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 7 |
| Total number of inspections made ... ... ... ... ... ... | 39 |

**Drainage and Sewerage.**

During the year there have been sewer extensions at Woodsetts and work commenced on laying a new sewer at Todwick.

Portions of the district which still require sewering are: — Woodall, Firbeck, Gildingwells and Letwell.

Improvement of a defective sewer has been carried out at Thorpe Salvin.

No. of houses not connected to sewers — 260.

**Closet Accommodation.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of privies with open middens ... ... ... ... ... | 25 |
| Number of privies with covered middens ... ... ... ... ... | 139 |
| Number of pail or tub closets ... ... ... ... ... ... | 166 |
| Number of water closets (including trough closets ... ... ... | 5,677 |
| Number of waste water closets ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 |
| Total number of closets ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 6,009 |
| Percentage of closets on water carriage system ... ... ... ... | 95% |

**Scavenging.**

Public scavenging is in operation throughout the whole district. Total cost of collection and disposal of refuse — £7,950.

**Water Supply.**

Source of supply — Sheffield Corporation, Worksop Corporation and Worksop R.D.C.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total number of dwellinghouses on public supply ... ... ... | 5,038 |
| Total number of dwelling houses in district ... ... ... ... | 5,132 |

Two samples of water were sent for chemical examination. Both were satisfactory

Two samples of water were sent for bacteriological examination. Both were satisfactory.

**Milk Supply.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of registered retail milk sellers ... ... ... ... ... | 16 |

**The Milk Supply (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949**

No. of licences in force for: —

| | Dealers | Supplementary |
|---|---|---|
| Tuberculin tested milk (Pasteurised) | 16 | — |
| Pasteurised milk ... ... | 2 | 3 |
| Sterilised Milk ... ... | 2 | 1 |

**The Milk Supply (Special Designation) (RawMilk) Regulations, 1949.**

No. of licences in force for: —

| | Dealers | Supplementary |
|---|---|---|
| Tuberculin tested milk ... | 2 | 1 |
| Accredited milk ... ... | 1 | — |

**Ice Cream.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of premises registered under Section 14 Food & Drugs Act 1938 | 25 |
| Number of inspections made ... ... ... ... ... ... | 121 |

**Meat and Food Inspection.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Total number of private slaughterhouses ... ... ... ... ... | 10 |
| 9 registered and 1 licensed. | |
| Total inspections ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 252 |
| Total number of butchers' shops ... ... ... ... ... ... | 21 |
| Total number of inspections ... ... ... ... ... ... | 167 |
| Number of visits to food preparing places ... ... ... ... | 203 |

**Other Foods.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of bakehouses in district ... ... ... ... ... ... | 5 |
| Number of visits made to: — | |
| Bakehouses ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 82 |
| Grocers' shops ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 157 |
| General shops ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 205 |
| Fried Fish shops ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 135 |
| Total visits ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 579 |

**Shops Act, 1950, Section 38.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of visits paid under the above ... ... ... ... ... | 96 |
| Unsatisfactory conditions found ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4 |
| Remedied ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4 |

**Factories Act.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Factories where Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6 are enforced by local authorities | 5 |
| Inspections made ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 20 |
| Written notices ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4 |
| Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced. | |
| Number on register ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 25 |
| Inspections made ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 56 |
| Written notices ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Defects found. | |
| Want of cleanliness ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4 |
| Unsuitable sanitary conveniences ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 |

All defects were remedied

**Mortuaries.**

There is one mortuary at Dinnington.

**Sanitary Inspector's Comments.**

*Water Supply* — The two sources of supply from Sheffield Corporation and the Borough of Worksop have been satisfactory as regards quality. Regarding the quantity the supply from Worksop has been satisfactory but there have been shortages of the Sheffield supply at various times during the year. The high points at Dinnington and North Anston have suffered chiefly in this respect. Work continued during the year on the new storage reservoir at Harthill and on the new water mains in the district. When the work is completed shortages in supply should be eliminated.

Two samples of mains water were taken for bacteriological examination and two for chemical examination. The results in all cases were satisfactory. During the year eight samples of water were taken for examination for the presence of lead. None of the samples showed lead contamination.

*Sewerage* — During the year the new sewage scheme for Woodsetts was completed. The new scheme consisted of a new sewage disposal works to replace the old and inadequate works and also the extension and enlargement of the sewers in the parish. As a result of these improvements, the closets at 65 houses may be converted into water closets. It is expected that the conversion work will be completed during 1952. During the year work commenced on a new sewerage scheme at Todwick, where previously no such facilities existed. The scheme consisted of a new sewage disposal works and the sewering of a major portion of the parish. Existing house drains have been connected to the sewer to the exclusion of cesspools and when the scheme is completed pail closets in the vicinity of the sewer will be converted into water closets. A part of Goosecarr Lane, Todwick, where complaints of nuisance from the existing sanitary conditions have been received continually, has been excluded from the scheme and the work deferred in consideration of the Ministry of Health Circular No. 87/47. The need for a sewer in this portion of the parish is particularly urgent.

A new sewer was laid at the rear of Rackford Road, North Anston. The drains of 22 houses previously connected to cesspools were diverted into the sewer.

The construction of the electrically driven sewage pumping station at Harthill was completed towards the end of 1951. This pump will lift sewage from the Council's housing estate in Woodall Road to a point whence it will flow by gravity to the Kiveton sewage disposal works. The provision of a similar pumping station and new sewers to deal with the sewage from Woodall is envisaged for the future.

*Food* — (a) *Meat.* There is no public abattoir in the district and slaughter houses are used only for the slaughter of cottagers' pigs. During the year 252 pig carcases were examined. The 21 butchers' shops were visited regularly and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

(b) *Food Preparation Premises.* 16 premises were registered for the preparation of food under Section 14 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938. The total number of visits to food preparation premises, fried fish shops, canteens, etc., was 420. The standard of cleanliness in these premises was generally good and any improvements required were given prompt attention.

(c) *Milk.* The number of milk sellers on the register was 16. No action was necessary under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

(d) *Ice Cream.* 22 premises were registered for the sale of ice cream and 3 premises for the manufacture and sale of ice cream. Regular visits were made to the manufacturers' premises and the total visits to all ice cream premises was 121.

**Byelaws under Section 15, Food and Drugs Act, 1938.**

These byelaws were brought into operation in 1950 and copies were forwarded to all shops where food is handled. Stallholders in the Dinnington market who handled food were also supplied with copies. No serious contravention of the byelaws was noted during routine visits to food premises and shops.

**Clean Food Campaigns.**

No clean food campaign was undertaken during the year.

**Housing — 1951.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of dwellinghouses in district ... ... ... ... ... | 5,132 |
| Number of back-to-back houses included in above ... ... ... | 12 |

Inspection of dwellinghouses.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total number inspected for housing defects ... ... ... ... | 945 |
| Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ... ... | 1,162 |
| Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations | 542 |
| Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ... ... ... | 610 |
| Number of dwellinghouses needing further action: — | |
| Number considered to in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Number found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation | 425 |

Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... ... | 209 |

Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 52 |
| Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices: — | |
| By owners ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 52 |
| By Local Authority ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | None |

Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ... ... ... ... ... | 94 |
| Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices: — | |
| By owners ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 94 |
| By Local Authority in default of owners ... ... ... ... | None |

Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of representations, etc., made in respect of dwellinghouses unfit for habitation ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 |
| Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | None |

Housing Act, 1936 — Overcrowding.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year ... ... | 8 |
| Number of families dwelling therein ... ... ... ... ... | 17 |
| Number of persons dwelling therein ... ... ... ... ... | 84 |
| Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during year ... ... | 4 |
| Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during year ... ... ... | 2 |
| Number of persons concerned in such cases ... ... ... ... | 15 |

New Houses.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Number of new houses provided during year: — | | |
| By the Local Authority: — | Permanent type ... ... ... | 46 |
| | Temporary type ... ... ... | Nil |
| By Private Enterprise ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 15 |

Housing Act, 1949 — Section 20.

Grants to persons other than local authorities for improvement of housing accommodation — One grant made in respect of house at Harthill.

## DIVISIONAL ADMINISTRATION OF PREVENTIVE MEDICAL SERVICES
## DIVISION 31.

Divisional Health Office: Durlston House,
5 Moorgate,
Rotherham.

Constituent Authorities: Rotherham Rural District Council
Kiveton Park Rural District Council
Maltby Urban District Council

Divisional Medical Officer of Health — Dr. J. M. WATT.
Deputy Divisional Medical Officer — Dr. A. P. GORRIE.
Chief Clerk — Mr. A. HILL.

**School Health Service.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| No. of schools in area | | 56 |
| No. of children on roll | | 13,597 |
| No. of schools visited by School Medical Inspectors | | 32 |
| No. of children examined: — | Infants | 1,853 |
| | Juniors | 1,898 |
| | Seniors | 901 |

**Diphtheria Immunisation.**

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|---|---|
| School children immunised for the first time | 401 |
| Pre-school children immunised for the first time | 666 |
| Total number of children receiving refresher doses | 720 |

**Immunisation State of Child Population.**

| Age of Children | Children Immunised |
|---|---|
| Under 1 year of age | 21 |
| 1 year old | 418 |
| 2 years old | 615 |
| 3 years old | 863 |
| 4 years old | 977 |
| Between 5 and 9 years of age | 4,517 |
| Between 10 and 14 years of age | 4,165 |

Immunisation against diphtheria was suspended from June to December because of the outbreak of poliomyelitis

| | Total No. of children in district | No. Immunised | Percentage Immunised |
|---|---|---|---|
| Children under 5 years | 7,942 | 2,894 | 37.6 |
| Children 5 - 14 years | 13,280 | 8,682 | 65.3 |
| Children 0 - 14 years | 21,222 | 11,576 | 54.5 |

**Specialist Clinics.**

| | Pre-school children | School children |
|---|---|---|
| Number of children referred to Paediatric Clinic | 8 | 41 |
| Number of children referred to Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic | 3 | 191 |
| Number of children referred to Child Guidance Clinic | – | 14 |
| Number of children referred to Oculist Clinic | – | 370 |
| Number of children referred to Orthopaedic Clinic | 24 | 52 |
| Number of children referred to Speech Therapy Clinic | – | 39 |

1. Paediatric Clinics are held once per month on the 2nd Monday at Maltby Child Welfare Centre.
2. Ear, Nose and Throat Clinics are held once per month on the 1st Wednesday at Doncaster Gate Hospital.
3. Child Guidance Clinics are held every Friday at Rawmarsh Child Welfare Centre.
4. Oculist Clinics are held for 1 week in every 5 at the various Child Welfare Centres, where most urgently required.
5. Orthopaedic Clinics are held on the 2nd and last Wednesdays of every month at Rawmarsh Child Welfare Centre.
6. Speech Therapy Clinics are held every Monday and Thursday at Child Welfare Centres, where required.

**Health Visiting.**

Number of visits paid by Health Visitors:

| | First Visits | Total Visits |
|---|---|---|
| Expectant mothers ... ... ... ... | 477 | 643 |
| Children under 1 year ... ... ... | 1,636 | 7,672 |
| Children 1-5 years ... ... ... ... | 32 | 8,032 |
| Others ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,285 | 5,063 |
| Total ... | 3,430 | 21,410 |

**Domiciliary Midwives.**

Number of cases attended by midwives, unaided ... ... ... ... 636

Number of cases attended as maternity nurses ... ... ... ... 241

Number of medical aid notices issued—237 under the following main headings: —

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|---|---|
| Pregnancy ... ... ... ... | 33 |
| Labour ... ... ... ... | 134 |
| Lying-in ... ... ... ... | 23 |
| The Child ... ... ... ... | 47 |

**Gas and Air Analgesia.**

During the year under review 112 women received gas and air.

**Care of the Premature Baby.**

2 Sorrento cots are maintained at the Ambulance Depot in Maltby.

**Home Nursing.**

Number of cases attended by Home Nurses ... ... ... ... 1,954

Total number of visits ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 49,756

**Ambulance Service.**

This service is under the direct control of the Ambulance Officer at Oakroyd Hall, Birkenshaw, nr Bradford. The Depot at Wath and Sub-Depots at Kiveton and Maltby serve this Division.

Number of cases transported during 1951: —

| | Wath | Maltby | Kiveton Park |
|---|---|---|---|
| General Hospitals ... ... ... | 11,960 | 4,503 | 1,751 |
| Maternity Homes and Hospitals ... | 418 | 483 | 35 |
| Infant Welfare ... ... ... | 2,867 | 1,799 | 579 |

**Home Help Service.**

Number of cases provided with assistance during 1951: —

| | |
|---|---|
| Illness ... ... ... ... ... | 215 |
| Lying-in ... ... ... ... | 111 |

**Care and After-care.**

Assistance was given to the Firbeck Miners' Paraplegic Unit by the issue on loan of beds with self-lifting poles, Dunlopillo mattresses, etc. to men who were being nursed at home.

**Mental Health Service.**

8 new cases were reported during 1951, making a total of 144 cases as at 31st December, 1951 in the Division.

**National Assistance Act, 1948.**

SECTION 47 — This section provides for the removal to suitable premises of people in need of care i.e., those unable to care for themselves or unable to obtain suitable care.

No action was taken under this section during 1951.

## CLINICS HELD IN THE KIVETON PARK AREA :—

| Clinic | Day and Time | Doctor attending |
|---|---|---|
| **Infant Welfare Clinics.** | | |
| Dinnington Methodist Chapel | *Tuesdays, 2—4-30 p.m. | Dr. M. T. Jago |
| Kiveton Park Methodist Chapel | Mondays, 2—4-30 p.m. | Dr. B. D. Rawlin |
| **Ante-Natal Clinics.** | | |
| Dinnington Methodist Chapel | Fridays, 2—4 p.m. | Dr. M. E. J. Bolsover |
| Kiveton Park Methodist Chapel | 2nd and 4th Thursdays in the month, 2—4 p.m. | Dr. M. Rushbrooke |
| **School Clinics.** | | |
| Dinnington Methodist Chapel | Tuesdays and Fridays, 9-30 a.m.—12 noon | Dr. Gorrie attends fourth Friday in each month |

*First Tuesday morning in month, mothers from outlying districts.

**MIDWIVES—Kiveton Park Area.**

| Name and Address | Telephone No. |
|---|---|
| BLOCKLEY, G. | |
| Dartrey House, Doe Quarry Lane, Dinnington ... ... | Dinnington 206 |
| DAVIES, M. I. | |
| Nurses' Home, Wales Road, Wales ... ... ... ... | Kiveton 326 |
| SEARSON, L. | |
| 4 Lordens Hill, Dinnington ... ... ... ... ... | Dinnington 229 |

**HOME NURSES—Kiveton Park Area.**

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|---|---|
| BAMFORD, E. | |
| 162 Lordens Hill, Dinnington ... ... ... ... ... | Dinnington 434 |
| FROST, J. C. | |
| Nurses' Home, Wales Road, Wales ... ... ... ... | Kiveton 352 |
| TAYLOR, C. (Relief) | |
| 39 Brecks Lane, Rotherham ... ... ... ... ... | Wickersley 2103 |

**HEALTH VISITORS—Kiveton Park Area.**

| Name | Address |
|---|---|
| MISS E. SHORT ... ... ... ... ... | 62 Lodge Lane, Aston, nr. Sheffield. |
| MRS. C. M. WHARTON ... | "Moir-Deen," Gildingwells Road, Letwell, nr. Worksop. |